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1. The area of Camp Werder and the adjoining practice range was bordered by the Luckenwalde-Schoenefeld road on the north, the Pettkus-Liessen-Stuelpe-Schoenefeld road on the east and the Markendorf-Charlottenfelde road on the south. The houses in Heidehof were empty. The practice range is about 2 km wide and has been cleared, with the exception of some individual trees and small patches of woods. In the camp proper only as many trees were cut as were needed for the construction of roads and temporary barracks.
2. An unsurfaced road about 3 km long and 20 meters wide runs north and south through the middle of the camp. About 500 temporary barracks, used as EM quarters, are lined up west of this road. Each building has a billeting capacity of 80 to 100 soldiers. Each building is 20 meters long and 8 meters wide, has rough board siding nailed to four corner posts and a pointed tarpaper roof. The buildings are not divided into sections but have doors on both sides. They are furnished with makeshift, wooden slat beds with straw bags for mattresses. There are no lighting or heating facilities. Washstands are outside the buildings.
3. About 80 equipment sheds similar in size and structure to the EM quarters, are behind the temporary barracks. Some of the sheds are partitioned to house orderly rooms and have lighting facilities. Soldiers were repeatedly ☒ seen **receiving** gas defense equipment, signal equipment and infantry arms from these sheds.
4. Eight EM mess buildings with installed kettles and water, and **lighting** facilities are available. They also correspond to the EM quarters in size and structure. The five officers' kitchens have the same equipment as the EM kitchens.
5. Other structures include two shower houses, 45 officer billets constructed like the EM quarters but equipped with beds, closets and lighting.
6. The camp has three approach roads, from Neuhoef, Werder, and Markendorf. The camp is not fenced in and is only marked by off-limits signs. Double sentries are posted in the woods at irregular intervals. One sentry is posted between every third EM quarter and in front of each equipment shed, orderly room and officers' billet. Guards constantly patrol the camp area and man two observation towers.

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7. The northern section of the camp was occupied by the 7th Tank Div from Zerbst and Rosslau, according to the few German personnel accompanying the division. Officers of this division included Lieutenant Colonel Uzakov (fnu), a regimental commander; Lieutenant Colonel Kolatov (fnu), a supply officer; and Lieutenant Colonel Chernikov (fnu), whose assignment was not known.
8. The southern section of the camp housed the 6th Tank Div from Wittenberg and Justerboog-Altes Lager, according to some German personnel employed by the division. [REDACTED] were seen. 25X1C
9. The troops in the camp, including officers, were estimated at 12,000, according to [REDACTED] 25X1C
However, the camp was not occupied to capacity on 12 July 1950. The two division billeting areas were divided by a line which could not be crossed by personnel of either division.
10. About 500 tanks were parked at several parking lots. Trucks also parked there were on blocks, with the exception of the trucks used for routine supply runs. *

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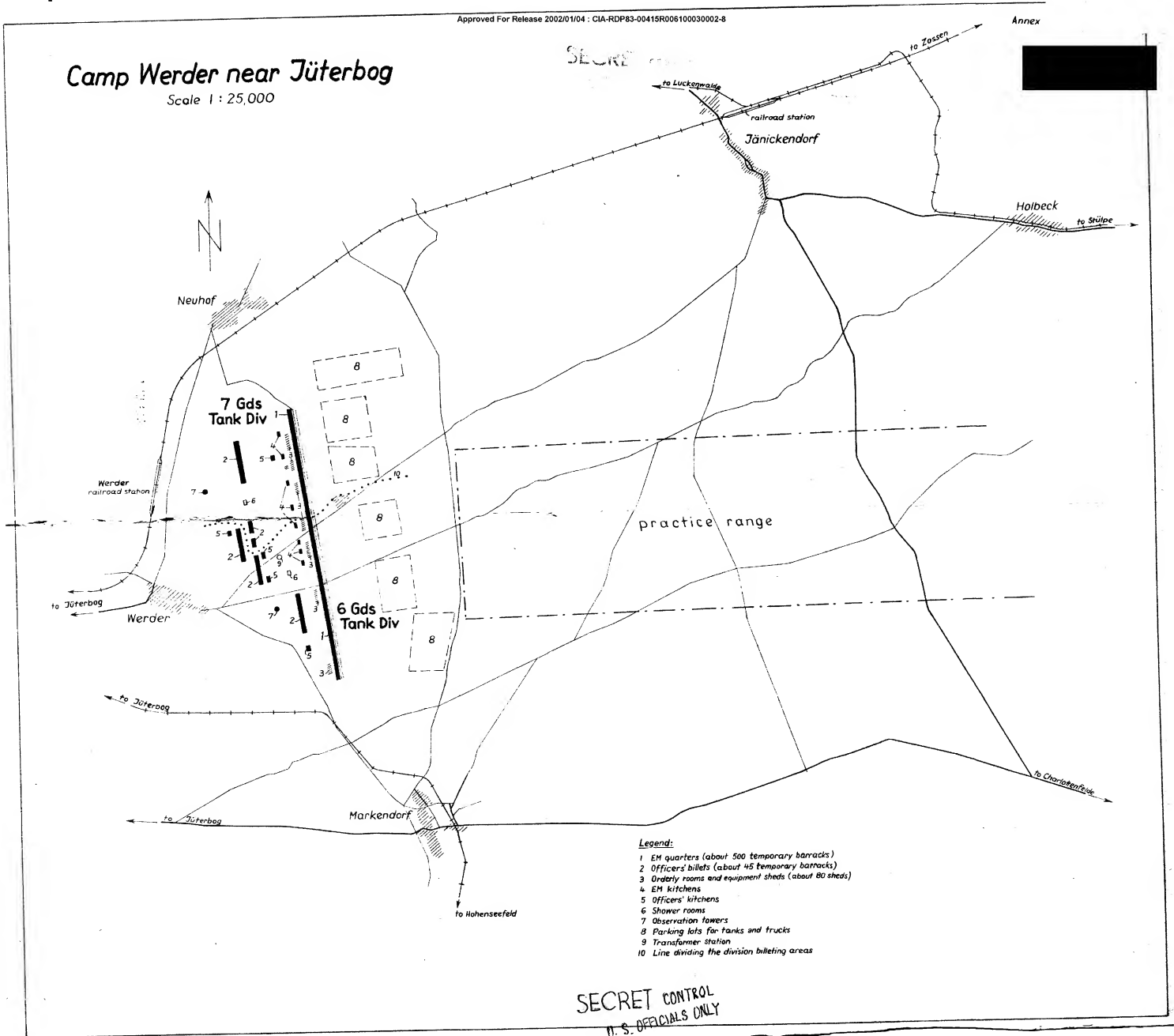
- * [REDACTED] Comment. The report appears credible and definitely confirms that the 6th and 7th Sds Tank Divs were still in the Werder-Markendorf maneuver area in mid-July 1950. For layout of camp see Annex.

1 Annex: Layout sketch of the Werder Camp.

Camp Werder near Jüterbog

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